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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA STATEMENT REGARDING ALLEGED U.S. BOMBING OF SIEMREAP

1. AT REQUEST OF CAMBODIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER IENG SARY, UN SECRETARIAT HAS DISTRIBUTED GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA STATEMENT REGARDING ALLEGED U.S. BOMBING OF SIEMREAP.

2. THE INCIDENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: ON 25 FEBRUARY 1976- AT 8:30 A.M., A UNITED STATES F-111 JET AIRCRAFT, FLYING AT A VERY HIGH ALTITUDE, DROPPED THREE BOMBS ON THE CENTRE OF THE TOWN OF SIEMREAP. THE FIRST, A 500 KG. BOMB, MADE A CRATER 7 METERS DEEP AND 10 METERS IN DIAMETER; THE TWO OTHER BOMBS WERE OF SMALLER CALIBER. AFTER THE BOMBING, THE AIRCRAFT FLEW OFF RAPIDLY TOWARDS THE WEST IN THE DIRECTION OF THAILAND.

ON THE SAME DAY, AT ABOUT 2 P.M., TWO OTHER JET AIRCRAFT OF THE SAME TYPE DROPPED PRESSURE BOMBS ON THE SAME SPOT AND, AFTER HAVING COMMITTED THESE CRIMES, FLEW OFF RAPIDLY TOWARDS THE NORTH, AGAIN IN THE DIRECTION OF THAILAND. END QUOTE

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3. THE STATEMENT CONTINUES CLAIMING THAT THERE WERE 15 PEOPLE

KILLED AND 30 WOUNDED AND EXTENSIVE DAMAGE DONE TO THE TOWN,
"PARTICULARLY TO THE HOSPITAL, THE CHILDREN'S CENTER AND THE
SCHOOL." THE REMAINDER OF THE STATEMENT IS DEVOTED TO HARPING
ON THE HISTORY OF "U.S. IGNOMINIOUS DEFEATS" AT THE HANDS
OF THE PEOPLE OF CAMBODIA WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN THE U.S.
HARBOURING "DEEP RESENTMENT AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF KAMPUCHEA"
AND WISHING "TO DESTROY THEM." THE STATEMENT CONCLUDES THAT
THIS HAS SERVED TO REINFORCE "THE HATRED AND THE STRUGGLE
OF THE PEOPLE OF KAMPUCHEA AND OF OTHER PEOPLES IN THE
WORLD AGAINST U.S. IMPERIALISM."

4. COPIES OF STATEMENT BEING POUCHED ADDRESSEES.
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